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MEDIA ADVISORY

Media wishing to cover the Vietnam War Tribute at the Open House are invited to do so on Saturday, April 16, 2016, from 7:45 p.m. to 9:45 p.m. and must coordinate with the Public Affairs Office for parking and a media escort.

Members of the media are required to RSVP no later than Friday April 15, 2015, by 5 p.m., with the State Public Affairs office at (o) 512-782-5620 or (m) 512-413-7574; email: ng.tx.txarng.mbx.pao@mail.mil.

Media is being asked to access Camp Mabry via the Exposition Blvd. gate from 35th Street. Media will be required to show credentials at the gate.

FOR IMMEDIATE PUBLIC RELEASE:

Texas Military Department to Honor 50th Anniversary of Vietnam War

AUSTIN, Texas (April 13, 2016) – The Texas Military Department and the Texas Military Forces' (TXMF) Museum will commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War during its annual Open House and American Heroes Show at Camp Mabry, in Austin, Texas, with the Salute to Vietnam Veterans event from 7:45 p.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday, April 16, 2016.

“The men and women who served during the Vietnam War are every bit as heroic as those who served in World War II or Korea,” said Jeff Hunt, TXMF Museum Director. “This anniversary is the perfect opportunity for us to not only honor them, but to educate the public about what they did to help America fight and win the Cold War.”

The free event will open with keynote speaker Command Sgt. Maj. Jim Broyles, Vietnam Veteran, Ranger Hall of Fame inductee and former Texas Army National Guard command sergeant major. Additionally, the special tribute will feature the Traveling Vietnam Wall, a Vietnam battle reenactment and an outdoor film screening of the movie ‘The Green Berets’ hosted by the Alamo Draffhouse’s Rolling Roadshow.

Admission to the event is free and anyone entering Camp Mabry must show a valid photo ID. For complete event information or to view the schedule of events, please visit our website at <https://tmd.texas.gov/tmd-open-house>.

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****The evening's keynote speaker and the showing of 'The Green Berets' will be relocated to an indoor location should weather become a factor. The battle reenactment will remain outside rain or shine. Up to date weather contingency plans will be posted on the Texas Military Department's social media channels and website.**

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The mission of the Texas Military Department (TMD) is to provide the Governor and the President with ready and trained forces in support of the citizens of Texas and State and Federal civil/military authorities at home and abroad.

The Texas Military Department is commanded by the Adjutant General of Texas, the state's senior military official appointed by the governor. The Texas Military Department includes the Texas Army National Guard (TXARNG), the Texas Air National Guard (TXANG), the Texas State Guard (TXSG) and the Domestic Operations Command (DOMOPS).

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